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I. Introduction

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II. Statements of qualifications of candidates

Ali bin Fetais Al-Marri (Qatar)

[Original: English]

His Excellency Dr. Ali bin Fetais Al-Marri
Attorney General of the State of Qatar
UN Special Advocate on the Prevention of Corruption

Academic Background

1. PhD, International Law, Sorbonne University, France, 1997
'Boundaries in the Arabic peninsula'.

2. MA, Public Law, Rennes University, France, 1996
'Separation of powers', Shura Council (legislative).

International Appointments

1. Member, UN International Law Commission, 2002, re-elected in 2006, and in 2011.

2. Accredited Expert, Arbitration Commercial Center of the Gulf Cooperation Council, Bahrain.

3. Arbitrator, Arbitration Commercial Center of the Gulf Cooperation Council, Bahrain since Nov. 1997.

4. Represented Qatar before the International Court of Justice: in the Qatar vs. Bahrain case.

5. Member, International Association of Prosecutors, since 2006.

6. PhD commission member, Sorbonne University, 2008 and 2010.

7. Member, Executive Committee of IAACA, since 2010.

8. Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Rule of Law and Anti-Corruption Centre in Doha.

9. PhD commission member, Savoie University, 2013.

10. PhD commission member, Dauphine University, 2014.

11. UN Special Advocate on Asset Recovery, since 2012.

12. UN Special Advocate on the Prevention of Corruption, since 2014.

13. President of the International Association of Anti-Corruption Authorities, 2016.

Regional & International Conferences

1. President, Franco-Qatari Regional Conference of Justice, Doha, 2004.

2. Vice president, the World Summit (WSI) of General Prosecutor's, Chief Prosecutor's and Attorneys General's, Guatemala — Antigua 2004-2005.

3. President, the World Summit (WSII) of General Prosecutor's, Chief Prosecutor's and Attorneys General's, Doha — Qatar since 2005.

4. President, Franco-Arab Conference of Justice, 2008.

5. President, World 6th Forum against Corruption, 2009.

6. President of the 3rd Session of the Conference of the States Parties to the UN Convention against Corruption 2009.

7. President, Arab conference of Attorney General's, head of prosecutions and prosecutors, 2010.

8. President, Arab Forum for Asset Recovery, 2012.

Lead the delegations of the State of Qatar to numerous conferences and meetings on Arabic, Regional and International levels.

Membership of distinguished Commissions and International Bodies

1. Member and Assistant Rapporteur, Qatar Commission on Preparing the Permanent Constitution.

2. Head of the Qatar Committee on reviewing International Contracts and Agreements involving the State of Qatar.

3. Chief Monitor of all national and international lawsuits involving the State of Qatar.

4. Member, Committee of Boundaries Delimitation between the State of Qatar and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

5. Member, Qatari-French Committee for military cooperation.

6. Member, Qatari-American Committee for military cooperation.

7. President, Committee preparing a draft law establishing the Public Prosecution and its competences.

8. Chairman, Committee preparing a draft law establishing the Supreme Judicial Council and the independence of the Judiciary from the Executive.

National Appointments

1. Attorney General of the State of Qatar since 2002.

2. Undersecretary, Head of the Legal Department in the Amiri Diwan 1998.

3. Legal Expert, Amiri Diwan, 1997-1998.

4. Assistant Secretary-General in the Council of Ministers, 1997-1998.

5. Assigned Professor of International Law, Qatar University since 1997.

6. Legal Researcher in His Highness Office, Amiri Diwan, 1996-1997.

Medals

1. Knight — National Order of the Legion of Honour, France.

2. Officer — National Order of the Legion of Honour, France.

3. The Medal of the Republic of Tunisia of the Great Order, Tunisia.

4. Knight — National Order of the Legion of Honour, Senegal.

Languages

1. Arabic.
2. French.
3. English.

Manuel E. Ventura Robles (Costa Rica)

[Original: English and Spanish]

Extract from a note verbale dated 1 June 2016 and received on 3 June 2016 from the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica

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Mr. Manuel Ventura Robles is currently a Judge at the Inter-American Court of Human Rights and has been a distinguished authority in the field of international law with outstanding academic background and extensive practical experience.

The Government of Costa Rica is confident that Mr. Manuel Ventura Robles will make a significant contribution to the International Law Commission.

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Curriculum Vitae of Manuel E. Ventura Robles

Manuel E. Ventura Robles was born in San José, Costa Rica, on June 16, 1948. He completed his primary and secondary school studies at La Salle School and graduated with a High School Diploma in science and humanities. In 1974, he obtained his Bachelor's Degree in Law and the license to practice as a public notary from the Faculty of Law of the University of Costa Rica. Later that year, he became a member of the Costa Rican Lawyer's College. He is married to Gloria Rodríguez Chávez, and they have three sons.

He was elected Judge of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights in January 2004 and re-elected by acclamation of the State Parties of the American Convention on Human Rights during its Thirty-ninth Regular Session, from the 2nd to the 3rd of June of 2009, in San Pedro Sula, Honduras. Judge Ventura Robles was Vice-president of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights from January 2012 to December 2013.

Judge Ventura Robles has held various positions in the private sector and in public administration, precisely in the Costa Rican Foreign Service in the Embassy of Costa Rica in Washington, D.C. and in the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica to the Organization of American States (OAS). He held the position of Secretary of Inter-American Court of Human Rights from January of 1990 until December of 2003. Previously, he held the position of Deputy Secretary, from December of 1979 until March of 1989. He has taught courses of Theory of the State in the Faculty of Law of the University of Costa Rica and has been an invited professor at the Autonomous Central American University (UACA) and at the National Association for Economic Promotion (ANFE). He has been a guest speaker at various human rights institutions, non-governmental organizations and other international organizations. He has also been a guest speaker at University of Costa Rica (UCR); University of Navarre, Pamplona, Spain; Pontifical Catholic University of Chile; Faculty of Law, University of Chile; Catholic University of Ecuador, Quito, Ecuador; the Institute for Juridical Research of the Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM); University of Sevilla; Columbia University, New York; Pontifical *Javeriana* University, Santafé de Bogotá, Colombia; the DePaul University College of Law in Chicago, Illinois; Center for Justice and International Law (CEJIL); United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights; University of Ottawa; Supreme Court of Justice of the Province of Buenos Aires, Argentina; Costa Rican

Institute of Constitutional Law; Superior Tribunal of Justice of Brazil; National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM); University of El Salvador; University José Matías Delgado, El Salvador; University Alcalá de Henares, Spain; International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC); Portuguese-Spanish-American-Philippine International Law Institute; Constitutional Chamber of the Supreme Court of Justice of Costa Rica; Supreme Court of Justice of the Dominican Republic; Supreme Court of El Salvador; World Movement for Democracy; Konrad Adenauer Foundation; GTZ (Berlin); Ministry of the Interior of Colombia, National Penitentiary Institute of Colombia; University of Antioquia of Colombia; University of San Buenaventura of Colombia; Public Prosecutor of the Province of Buenos Aires, Pontifical Catholic University of Argentina, Inter-American Institute of Human Rights (IIHR); the International Commission of Jurists; the Inter-American Juridical Committee; and French Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs; the European Court of Human Rights, the International Institute of Human Rights and the University of West Indies; Public Defense of Costa Rica; College of Lawyers of Costa Rica; Brazilian Institute of Human Rights, Ibero-American Center of Human Rights (Madrid), La Salle University, Federal University of Minas Gerais, Law School and Latin American Bar Association of the Human Rights Institute.

Judge Ventura Robles has also taken part in various national and international seminars on topics related to human rights and the Inter-American System for the Protection of Human Rights.

As a part of his responsibilities, he has attended the Fourteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second, Twenty-third, Twenty-fourth, Twenty-fifth, Twenty-sixth, Twenty-seventh, Twenty-eighth, Twenty-ninth, Thirtieth, Thirty-first, Thirty-second and Thirty-third Ordinary Sessions of the General Assembly of the OAS.

As Acting Vice-president of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, he attended the XLII Ordinary Session of the General Assembly of OAS held in Cochabamba, Bolivia, from June 3rd to June 5th, 2012 and the XLIII Ordinary Session of the General Assembly of OAS held in Antigua, Guatemala, from June 4th to June 6th, 2013.

Holder of a Bachelor's degree in law, lawyer and notary public

Current position	Judge of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights
Previous positions	
January 2012-December 2013	Vice-President of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights
As of January 2004	Judge of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights
1969-1970	Professional practice as lawyer and notary in the law firm of Carlos Bolaños Gené
1972-1973	Assistant to Fernando Volio Jiménez in the Department of Constitutional Law in the Faculty of Law at the University of Costa Rica
May 1975-March 1977	Hotel Europa, San José, Costa Rica: Assistant Manager

June 1977-July 1978	Banco Nacional de Costa Rica, Legal Department: Staff Lawyer and Notary
August 1978-July 1979	Embassy of Costa Rica in Washington, D.C. United States: Minister Counsellor for Legal Affairs
	Mission of Costa Rica to the Organization of American States: Second Alternate Delegate
August 1979-November 1979	Organization of American States, Inter-American Court of Human Rights: Interim Secretary
December 1979-March 1989	Organization of American States, Inter-American Court of Human Rights: Assistant Secretary
April 1989-December 1989	Organization of American States, Inter-American Court of Human Rights: Interim Secretary
January 1990-December 2003	Inter-American Court of Human Rights: Secretary[2]

Memberships

- Member of the Hispano-Luso-American Institute of International Law
- Member of the Editorial Board of the Revista do Instituto Brasileiro de Direitos Humanos
- Honorary member of the Costa Rican Association of International Law (ACODI)
- Ex officio member of the General Assembly of the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights
- Youth member of the Partido Unión Popular, 1970-1971
- Member of the National Assembly of the Partido Unión Nacional, 1976-1977
- Founding member of the Costa Rican Academy of International Law, 1983-1985
- Member of the International Law Association, 1984
- Member of the American Society of International Law, 1989

Distinctions

- Knight of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta.
- Recipient of the Manuel María de Peralta Award from the Costa Rican Association of International Law for his contribution to international law, international policy and diplomacy.
- Honorary President of the Colombian Institute for Human Rights.
- Recipient of the 2014 Human Rights Award from the Brazilian Institute for Human Rights, in Fortaleza, Brazil for his extensive and productive career as the Secretary and a judge of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

[2] From August 1979 to January 1980 and from April 1989 to May 1991, he was the only professional working for the Court.

- Awarded the Antônio Augusto Cançado Trindade Medal, presented by the former President of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights and current judge of the International Court of Justice, Antônio Augusto Cançado Trindade, and the President of the Brazilian Institute for Human Rights, César Oliveira de Barros Leal.
- Recipient of the 2015 Rodolfo Piza Escalante Award from the Bar Association, in San José, Costa Rica, for his contribution to expansion, upholding and enhancement of human rights in Costa Rica.

Education

Primary:	La Salle School, San José: primary school certificate
Secondary:	La Salle School, San José: secondary school certificate in sciences and humanities
University:	University of Costa Rica, Faculty of Law: Bachelor of Law, 1974
	Notary Public License, 1974
	Called to the bar in 1974
Other courses and studies:	University of Costa Rica, Central Faculty of Sciences and Humanities, Department of Philosophy: three years of courses in philosophy (1966-1968)
	George Washington University, Washington, D.C., United States: courses towards a Master's degree in international law (January-May 1979)
	American University, Washington, D.C., United States: English language courses (September-November 1978)
	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Costa Rica: preparatory course for senior officials of the Foreign Service (May 1978), certificate of attendance
	Central American Institute of Business Administration (INCAE): management seminar for corporate lawyers (January 1978), certificate of completion of the seminar at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., United States: English language courses (January-May 1975), certificate of completion of the course at the ELS Language Center, Washington, D.C., United States: English language courses (October-December 1974)
	Institute of Modern Languages, Washington, D.C., United States: English language courses (May 1967)
	Sullivan School, Preparatory College for the Service Academies (January-May 1967)

Other positions

- Delegate representing the Philosophy Students Association at the 1968 Student Congress held by the Costa Rican Federation of University Students
- Student Representative of the Law Students Association, 1969
- Treasurer of the National Executive Committee of the youth wing of the Partido Unificación Nacional, 1969
- Secretary of the Law Students Association, 1970
- Candidate for President of the Law Students Association, 1971
- Member of the Costa Rican delegation to the sixth special session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, 1978
- Member of the Costa Rican delegation to the seventh special session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, 1979
- Member of the Costa Rican delegation to the seventeenth meeting of consultation of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the States members of the Organization of American States, in accordance with the provisions of the Inter-American Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance, 1979
- Vice-President of the Costa Rican Academy of International Law, 1983-1985
- Lecturer at the Faculty of Law, University of Costa Rica, teaching "the theory of the State", 1984-1985
- Secretary of the Association for the Establishment of an Ombudsman in Costa Rica, 1984-1985
- Associate member of the Hispano-Luso-American Institute of International Law, 1998; elected member in 2004 and Director of the Board of Trustees (2004-2006 and 2010-2012)

Speeches and other events

- Guest lecturer invited by the National Association of Economic Development (ANFE), the *Studium Generale* of the Autonomous University of Central America (UACA) and the Ibero-American Centre for Human Rights (Madrid) to the intensive course on international policy, held at the ANFE from 24 February to 21 March 1986. Topic: the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.
- Invited by the Costa Rican Democratic Youth to the seminar on human rights, held in San José, Costa Rica, on 12 November 1988, to commemorate the fortieth anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Topic: the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.
- Guest speaker at the national human rights training course, organized by the United Nations Centre for Human Rights in collaboration with the Guatemalan Ministry of Foreign Affairs, held in Guatemala City, Guatemala, from 14 to 18 November 1988. Topic: international protection of human rights in the inter-American system.

- Invited by the Costa Rican branch of the American Association of Jurists to participate in a round table held at the Costa Rican Bar Association on 7 December 1988, to mark the fortieth anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Topic: the American Convention on Human Rights and its application in Latin America.

- Invited by the Institute of Legal Studies of El Salvador to participate in the international conference held in San Salvador, El Salvador, on 10 December 1988, to mark the fortieth anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Topic: the value of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

- Invited by the Commission for the Defence of Human Rights in Central America (CODEHUCA) to the Methodist Centre in Alajuela, Costa Rica, on 3 October 1989, for a seminar on human rights for participants from Central America and Panama. Topic: the inter-American system for the international protection of human rights.

- Invited by the Costa Rican branch of the American Association of Jurists to speak on 6 October 1989 at the first Central American meeting of jurists for peace, democracy and development, held from 5 to 7 October 1989, at the Costa Rican Bar Association. Topic: the role of the Organization of American States in upholding human rights.

- As Interim Secretary of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the nineteenth regular session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Washington, D.C., United States, from 13 to 18 November 1989.

- Guest lecturer invited by the National Association of Economic Development (ANFE), the Institute of Postgraduate Studies and Research of the Autonomous University of Central America (UACA) and the Ibero-American Centre for Human Rights (Madrid) to the intensive course on international policy, held at the ANFE from 12 March to 6 April 1990. Topic: the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

- As Secretary of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the twentieth regular session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Asunción, Paraguay, from 4 to 9 June 1990.

- Guest speaker at the workshop for lawyers representing Guatemalan NGOs, held in Antigua, Guatemala, from 4 to 6 September 1990. Topics: the regional human rights human rights system: the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights; contentious and advisory case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights in regard to judicial guarantees and due process: habeas corpus and recourse mechanisms; contentious and advisory case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights: interim measures, reservations and exhaustion of domestic remedies.

- Invited by the Costa Rican Commission of Psychosomatic Obstetrics and Gynaecology to the conference entitled "Maternity and paternity: an interdisciplinary conceptualization", held in San José, Costa Rica, from 6 to 9 October 1992. Topic: maternity and paternity in the context of human rights.

- Invited by the Louisiana Judicial College to the Fourth and Fifth Judges' Conference, held in San José, Costa Rica, on 9 and 10 October 1992. Topic: human rights in the Americas.

- As Secretary of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the twenty-first regular session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Santiago, Chile, from 3 to 8 June 1991.

- As Secretary of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the twenty-second regular session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Nassau, Bahamas, from 18 to 22 May 1992.

- As Secretary of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the twenty-third regular session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Managua, Nicaragua, from 7 to 11 June 1993.

- Guest speaker at a conference organized by Loyola Law School, Central American Program, held in San José, Costa Rica, on 24 July 1993. Topic: procedures of bringing a case in the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

- As Secretary of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the twenty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Belém, Brazil, from 3 to 7 June 1994.

- Invited at a conference organized by the Rotary Club of Curridabat-San Pedro in San José, Costa Rica, held on 21 September 1994. Topic: the Inter-American Court of Human Rights and its relationship with the Republic of Costa Rica.

- As Secretary of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the twenty-fifth regular session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Montrouis, Haiti, from 5 to 9 June 1995.

- Guest speaker at a conference organized by the University of Navarra, Pamplona, Spain, held on 4 and 5 August 1995. Topic: the inter-American human rights system, as part of the human rights course held from 24 June to 5 August 1995.

- Guest speaker at a conference at organized by the Costa Rican Association of International Law, held on 18 August 1995. Topic: the inter-American human rights system, as part of the congress on new perspectives on human rights in the Americas, held at the Costa Rican Bar Association from 16 to 23 August 1995.

- Guest speaker at the seminar on the inter-American human rights system, organized by the Faculty of Law of the University of Costa Rica and held on 18, 19 and 20 October, 1995, where he presented with the Executive Secretary of the Inter-American Commission, Dr. Edith Márquez Rodríguez, as part of the programme for continuing education in law.

- Guest speaker at the Catholic University of Chile, postgraduate programme in Constitutional Law, on 7 and 14 May 1996. Topics: the contentious role of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights and the advisory role of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, respectively.

- Guest speaker at a conference organized by the Faculty of Law, University of Chile, held on 10 May 1996. Topic: the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

- As Secretary of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the twenty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Panama City, Panama, from 3 to 8 June 1996.

- Along with the attorneys of the Court, participated in the interdisciplinary course on human rights offered by the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights, from 11 to 21 June 1996. Topic: the inter-American human rights system.

- Guest speaker at a conference organized by the Commission for the Defence of Human Rights in Central America (CODEHUCA), held from 30 September to 2 October 1996, in Guatemala City. Topic: the inter-American human rights system and proceedings before the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

- Along with the attorneys of the Court, participated in the seminar on the inter-American human rights system, held at the University of San José in Costa Rica, from 7 to 11 October 1996.

- Participant in the seminar entitled "The inter-American system for the promotion and protection of human rights", held from 2 to 4 December 1996, in Washington, D.C. Topic: the experience of the Court with respect to the protection of human rights. Challenges for the future.

- Guest speaker at a conference held at the Manuel María de Peralta Foreign Service Institute on 17 January 1997, in San José, Costa Rica. Topic: the inter-American human rights system.

- On 21 February 1997, headed the jury in the final debate of the international round tables for the Eduardo Jiménez de Aréchaga Inter-American Human Rights Competition, organized by the Costa Rican Association of International Law.

- Along with the attorneys of the Court, participated in a discussion at the Costa Rican Public Defenders Office, on 28 February 1997. Topic: protection of fundamental rights in the inter-American human rights system with regard to States.

- Guest speaker at the Latin American seminar to promote virtual human rights courses held on 9 and 10 May 1997, in Barcelona, Spain. Topic: changing trends in the inter-American human rights system.

- Guest speaker at the University of Navarra, Pamplona, Spain, on 12 May 1997. Topic: the inter-American human rights system, presentation given to professors of international law and doctoral students from the university's Faculty of Law.

- As Secretary of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the twenty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Lima, Peru, from 1 to 5 June 1997.

- Guest speaker at the Pontifical Catholic University of Ecuador, in Quito, Ecuador, on 10 June 1997. Topic: the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, presentation given to law students from the university's Faculty of Law.

- On 10 October 1997, gave a specialized presentation on the Inter-American Court of Human Rights at the Higher Institute of Police Sciences of the Chilean National Police, and on 13 October of the same year, presented at the Faculty of Law of the University of Chile.

- On 9 January 1998, served as a judge in the final debate of the national round of the Philip C. Jessup Competition.

- In March 1998, spoke at Columbia University, New York, on the inter-American human rights system in the Americas.

- As Secretary of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the twenty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Caracas, Venezuela, from 1 to 3 June 1998.

- As Secretary of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the twenty-fifth special session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Washington, D.C., on 12 November 1988.

- Named associate member of the Hispano-Luso-American Institute of International Law (IHLADI), the congress held in Lisbon, Portugal, in September 1998.

- Guest speaker the international seminar entitled "The Fiftieth anniversary of international human rights documents", organized by the Legal Research Institute of the National Autonomous University of Mexico, the Senate of the Republic and the Federal Government's Legal Advisory Counsel, and held in Mexico City, Mexico, from 30 November to 2 December 1998. Topic: the American Convention on Human Rights.

- As Secretary of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the twenty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Guatemala City, Guatemala, from 7 to 9 June 1999.

- Speaker at the seminar on the inter-American human rights system, held in Caracas, Venezuela, on 21 and 22 June 1999. Topic: the relationship between the Court and the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights.

- Guest speaker at the first Latin American regional conference organized by the International Law Association and held in Sao Paulo, Brazil, from 25 to 27 July 1999. Topic: the Central American experience: peace and human rights.

- On 23 and 24 November 1999, participated as a speaker at the seminar entitled "The Inter-American human rights system at the dawn of the twenty-first century", held in San José, Costa Rica. Topic: the international community's commitment to effective international protection of human rights and the financial implications of strengthening the inter-American system: the case of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

- On 22 March 2000, gave a talk, with the assistance of the attorneys of the Court, on the daily work of the Secretariat of the Court and the challenges of the inter-American human rights system to a group of approximately 15 people, including Swedish associate professionals working in various human rights bodies in Latin America, including the Organization of American States in Nicaragua, the Ombudsman's Office in Peru, the Andean Commission of Jurists in Peru, the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights in Costa Rica and Swedish cooperation agencies.

- With the assistance of the attorneys of the Court, gave a talk on the Inter-American Court, its contentious and advisory functions and interim measures in light of the Court's case law to a group of students from Orange Coast College in California who were attending a political science course

offered by Dr. Roberto de la Osa at the Central American Institute of International Affairs, on 22 March 2000.

- On 30 March 2000, gave a presentation at the Costa Rican National Association of Economic Development (ANFE) on the process of reforming and strengthening the inter-American human rights system.

- Invited by the Department of Public International Law of the University of Seville in Spain, from 8 to 12 May 2000, to give three lectures, a seminar for professors and a presentation at the Bar Association of Seville on the inter-American human rights system.

- As Secretary of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the thirtieth regular session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Windsor, Canada, from 4 to 6 June 2000.

- On 14 March 2001, participated as a speaker at an event organized by the Inter-American Court and UNHCR to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of UNHCR, where two books were presented: La Nueva Dimensión de las Necesidades de Protección del Ser Humano en el Inicio del Siglo XXI and Las Memorias del II y III Encuentro de Movilidad Humana — Migrante y Refugiado, the result of efforts made by both institutions and the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights.

- Participated in a ceremony held at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 23 April 2001 to present Don Rodolfo E. Piza Escalante with the 2001 Manuel María de Peralta Award, bestowed annually by the Philip C Jessup Costa Rican Association of International Law upon prominent national figures who have dedicated themselves to the study, promotion and expansion of international law for the benefit of the country. I presented the award winner's biography from a humanist perspective, befitting someone who served as a judge and the first President of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, from its founding in 1979 until 1981, and who has held senior positions both in Costa Rica and around the world.

- Guest speaker at the Lincoln Model United Nations held on 27 April 2001. Talk on the Inter-American Court given to student delegates from all of the American schools in Costa Rica and Central America.

- As Secretary of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the thirty-first regular session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in San Jose, Costa Rica, from 3 to 5 June 2001.

- Guest lecturer at the nineteenth interdisciplinary course on human rights, entitled "Political participation", held from 18 to 29 June 2001. Topic: the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

- Guest speaker at the twenty-eighth course on international law organized by the Inter-American Juridical Committee and the Secretariat of the Organization of American States, held from 30 July to 24 August 2001, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Topic: the Inter-American Court of Human Rights: path towards a permanent tribunal.

- Judge at the fifth Eduardo Jiménez de Aréchaga Inter-American Human Rights Competition, held from 14 to 19 October 2001, in Costa Rica.

- Special guest speaker at the thirty-seventh graduation ceremony of the International University of the Americas in San José, Costa Rica, on 7 March 2002. Topic: education and human rights in the twenty-first century.

- Speaker at the posthumous tribute held by the Costa Rican Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship on Friday, 3 May 2002, in memory of Dr. Rodolfo E. Piza Escalante, the Costa Rican jurist who served as the first President of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights. I related the contributions made by the Dr. Piza Escalante to the Court and the inter-American human rights system during his time on the Court, from 1979 to 1988.

- Speaker at a workshop on the new rules of procedure of the bodies of the inter-American human rights system organized by the Center for Justice and International Law (CEJIL) and held on 7 May 2002. I discussed the new rules of the Court.

- As Secretary of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the thirty-second regular session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Bridgetown, Barbados, from 2 to 4 June 2002.

- Speaker at the second international university conference organized by the Helsinki-Spain Foundation, entitled "The knowledge society and human rights", held on 25 June 2002. Participated in the round table entitled "Technology and society: business and institutional implementation, the case of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights", in which I gave a presentation on the latest developments of the Court in the field of informatics.

- Participated as a speaker at the twentieth interdisciplinary course on human rights, dedicated to Rodolfo E. Piza Escalante, held by the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights in San José, Costa Rica, from 22 July to 2 August 2002. On Wednesday, 24 July, I gave a presentation entitled "The inter-American human rights system: the Inter-American Court of Human Rights".

- Delivered the keynote address for the inauguration of the diploma course on the promotion and expansion of human rights and international humanitarian law at the Pontifical Xavierian University, on Friday, 16 August 2002, in Bogotá, Colombia.

- Participated as an associate member in the twenty-second Congress of the Hispano-Luso-American Institute of International Law (IHLADI), held in San Salvador, El Salvador, from 8 to 13 September 2002.

- Spoke on the topic "the inter-American system" at the third inter-American course on civil society and human rights, held by the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights in San José, Costa Rica, from 28 October to 1 November 2002.

- Guest speaker at the Multilaw Americas Regional Conference, held in San José, Costa Rica, from 6 to 8 February 2003. Theme of the conference: Recent developments in the jurisprudence of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

- Participated as an observer in the regional conference on persons reported missing in connection with armed conflict or internal violence, co-organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Peru and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), and held in Lima, Peru, from 28 to 30 May 2003.

- As Secretary of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the thirty-third regular session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Santiago, Chile, from 8 to 10 June 2003.

- Accompanied by several judges of the Court, participated in a conference on the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, held at the Faculty of Law of the University of Chile, during the fifty-ninth regular session of the Court in Santiago, Chile.

- Guest lecturer at the twenty-first interdisciplinary course on human rights, held by the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights in San José, Costa Rica, from 23 June to 4 July 2003, where I spoke on the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, on 25 June 2003.

- Participated as an observer in the third regional conference on justice and development in Latin America and the Caribbean, on the topic "Major trends of the last decade and where we are headed", held in Quito, Ecuador, on 24, 25 and 26 July 2003.

- Guest speaker at DePaul University College of Law in Chicago, Illinois, on 7 October 2003. Topic: Recent developments in the jurisprudence of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights. I also met with professors and students at the university, as well as members of the Hispanic Lawyers Association of Illinois.

- Along with judges Antônio Augusto Cançado Trindade and Sergio García Ramírez, participated in the Special Conference on Security, organized by the Organization of American States (OAS), in Mexico City, Mexico, on 27 and 28 October 2003.

- Guest speaker at the University of La Salle in San José, Costa Rica, on 13 November 2003, upon his selection to serve as a judge on the Court by the General Assembly of the Organization of Latin American States. Topic: reflections on international law and the inter-American human rights system on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the entry into force of the American Convention on Human Rights.

- Guest speaker at the commemoration of the fifty-fifth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the award ceremony for the national human rights award, organized by the Office of the National Counsel for the Defence of Human Rights of El Salvador, in San Salvador, on 10 December 2003. Topic: Human rights and the rule of law.

- Guest speaker at the fifth European Union-Latin America conference on international justice, the rule of law and protection of human rights, held at the Faculty of Law of the University of Costa Rica from 5 to 18 March 2004. Topic: the inter-American human rights system: most recent case law.

- Guest speaker at the twenty-second interdisciplinary course on human rights concerning economic, social and cultural rights, held from 16 to 27 August 2004. Topic: the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights in regard to economic, social and cultural rights.

- Guest speaker at the opening of the third regular session of the Organization of American States for secondary school students held on 2 December 2004, at

the National University in Heredia, Costa Rica. Topic: the protection of human rights in the inter-American system: a critical view.

- Guest speaker at the twenty-third interdisciplinary course on human rights concerning democracy, political rights and citizen participation, held from 18 to 29 July 2005. Topic: the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights in regard to political rights.

- Guest speaker at the regional workshop on democracy, human rights and the rule of law, organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship of Costa Rica, on the topic of access to justice and impunity. The workshop was held in San José, Costa Rica, from 5 to 7 September 2005.

- Guest speaker at the international law conference, organized by the University of Ottawa and the Organization of American States. Topic: determining the State's international responsibility for the conduct of third parties in the "Mapiripán Massacre" case. The event was held in Ottawa, Canada, from 22 to 26 October 2005.

- Guest speaker at International Human Rights Day ceremony organized by the Center for Justice and International Law (CEJIL) on the topic "Assessing human rights". The event was held in San José, Costa Rica, on 8 December 2005.

- Guest speaker at the comparative analysis seminar on the implementation of the rulings of the European Court of Human Rights and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, organized by the Costa Rican Institute of Constitutional Law and the Judicial Training Centre for Central America and the Caribbean. Topic: the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights in regard to the implementation of its rulings. The event was held in San José, Costa Rica, from 20 to 21 February 2006.

- Guest speaker at the seminar on the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, organized by the High Court of Justice of Brazil. Topic: the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights in regard to access to justice and impunity. The event was held in Brasilia, Brazil, on 31 March 2006.

- Invited by the Supreme Court of Justice of the Province of Buenos Aires to give a presentation on the situation of the victim regarding access to justice within the various rules of procedure of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights. The event was held in Buenos Aires, Argentina, on 7 April 2006.

- Invited by the National Autonomous University of Mexico to give a presentation at the congress on international human rights law on the need to identify procedurally the role of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights in contentious proceedings before the Inter-American Court of Human Rights following the granting of *locus standi in judicio* to the alleged victim or his or her representatives under the rules of procedure adopted in 2000. The event was held in Mexico City, Mexico, from 23 to 26 May 2006.

- Invited by the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights (IIHR) and the Office of the National Counsel for the Defence of Human Rights of El Salvador to give a presentation at the human rights academic conference on the history and recent development of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights. The event was held at the University of El Salvador on 23 June 2006.

- Invited by the Dr. José Matías Delgado University in El Salvador to give a presentation on the topic of the inter-American human rights system, with its present and future challenges. The event was held in San Salvador on 28 June 2006.

- Invited by the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) to give a presentation on the relevance of international humanitarian law in the inter-American human rights system at the third training course on international humanitarian law for Central American university professors. The event was held in San José, Costa Rica, from 23 to 29 July 2006.

- Guest speaker at the twenty-fourth Congress of the Hispano-Luso-American Institute of International Law (IHLADI) on monitoring compliance with the judgments of the inter-American human rights system. The event was held in Granada, Spain, from 11 to 15 September 2006.

- Invited by the Constitutional Chamber of the Supreme Court of Costa Rica to give a presentation on the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights with regard to monitoring compliance with judgments at an academic conference in honour of Alternate Judge José Luis Molina Quesada. The event was held in San José, Costa Rica, on 25 September 2006.

- Invited by the University of Alcalá in Henares, Spain to teach a Master's course on case law in the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, entitled "Protection of human rights". The course was given in Madrid, Spain, from 1 October to 30 November 2007.

- Guest speaker at the Supreme Court of Justice of El Salvador opening session entitled "Strengthening the capacities of judicial officials in Central America for the protection of human rights". The event was held in San Salvador, El Salvador, on 27 February 2008.

- Invited by the Supreme Court of Justice of the Dominican Republic to give a presentation on the protection of human rights by the Inter-American Court of Human Rights at the conference entitled "Constitutional rights: the protection of human rights by the various courts". The event was held in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, on 12 March 2008.

- Invited by Columbia University in New York to give a presentation on the right to freedom of thought and expression in the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights at the "Friedmann Conference 2008: Reforms and challenges confronting regional human rights regimes". The event was held in New York, United States, on 8 April 2008.

- Invited by the National Autonomous University of Mexico to give a presentation on the examples of the impact of applying the doctrine and case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights in Costa Rica, Guatemala and the Dominican Republic at the seminar entitled "National implementation of international human rights law and the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights". The event was held in Mexico City, Mexico, on 5 December 2008.

- Guest speaker at the seminar entitled "Regional human rights courts: judicial practices and case law policies" organized by the French Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs, the European Court of Human Rights and the

International Institute of Human Rights to celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Delivered the opening address entitled "The regional human rights courts in the sixtieth year of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights: taking stock and looking ahead", as well as a presentation entitled "Regional human rights bodies and international law: current state and outlook. The Inter-American Court of Human Rights". The event was held in Strasbourg, France, on 8 December 2008.

- Invited by the Supreme Court of Justice of Costa Rica, the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights and the Konrad Adenauer Foundation to give a presentation on cooperation between national and international systems at the session entitled "Strengthening the human rights capacities of judicial officials in Central America". The event was held in San José, Costa Rica, on 24 February 2009.

- Invited by the World Movement for Democracy to deliver the inaugural address on human rights and democracy in the inter-American system at the first forum of the subregions of Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean: democracy and defence of civil society. The event was held in San José, Costa Rica, on 6 March 2009.

- Invited by the German Agency for Technical Cooperation (GTZ) to give a presentation on the background, policy and practice of monitoring compliance with the judgments of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights at the "Symposium on the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights". The event was held in Berlin, Germany, on 6 August 2009.

- Invited by the Constitutional Chamber of the Supreme Court of Justice of Costa Rica to give a presentation on the implementation of the judgments of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights by national courts at the commemoration of 20 years of constitutional justice in Costa Rica. The event was held in San José, Costa Rica, on 30 September 2009.

- Invited by the Ministry of the Interior of Colombia, the National Institute of Prisons and Penitentiaries of Colombia, the University of Antioquía and the University of San Buenaventura to give a presentation on the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights in regard to prisons at the third international symposium on prisons and human rights. The event was held in Medellín, Colombia, from 28 to 30 July 2010.

- Invited by the Office of the Prosecutor of the Province of Buenos Aires and the Catholic University of Argentina to give a presentation on compliance within the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights at the conference entitled "Human rights, international treaties and compliance". The event was held in Buenos Aires, Argentina, on 26 October 2010.

- Invited by the Constitutional Chamber of Costa Rica and the International Commission of Jurists to the Central American seminar entitled "The protection of economic, social and cultural rights in Central American constitutions and international law" to give a presentation on the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights in regard to economic, social and cultural rights. The event was held in San José, Costa Rica, on 17 December 2010.

- Invited by the University of Costa Rica to give a presentation on reparations in the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights at the inaugural lecture for the 2011 term for the Faculty of Law of the University of Costa Rica. The event was held in San José, Costa Rica, on 9 March 2011.

- Invited to give a presentation on the judicial and humanitarian function with regard to rights and remedies in the Inter-American Court of Human Rights at seminar on the topic. The event was held at the Federal University of Minas Gerais in the Auditorium of the Milton Campos Faculty in Belo Horizonte, Brazil, on 3 May 2011.

- Guest speaker at the twenty-ninth interdisciplinary course on human rights entitled "Justice and security, victims' rights and policing". Presentation of the book *Estudios sobre el Sistema Interamericano de Protección de los Derechos Humanos*, volume II. The event was held in the Interamericana Hall of the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights in San José, Costa Rica, on 10 August 2011.

- Invited by the American Association of Jurists to give a presentation on the Inter-American Court of Human Rights and its impact in the region at the round table on the operation of inter-American human rights mechanisms. The event was held in the Interamericana Hall of the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights in San José, Costa Rica, on 26 September 2011.

- Invited to give a presentation on remedies under the inter-American human rights systems at the University of the West Indies symposium entitled "The inter-American system and the Caribbean". The event was held in St. Michael, Barbados, on 12 October 2011.

- Invited by the University of the West Indies to participate in the round table entitled "Reflections on the search for greater interaction and closer ties between the member States of the Caribbean community and the inter-American human rights system". The event was held in St. Michael, Barbados, on 12 October 2011.

- Invited to give a presentation on the Inter-American Court of Human Rights and the impact of its case law on reparations at the Costa Rican Association of International Law Eduardo Jiménez de Aréchaga Competition. The event was held in the Interamericana Hall of the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights in San José, Costa Rica, on 3 November 2011.

- Guest speaker at the eighteenth meeting of presidents and judges of courts and constitutional chambers in Latin America, delivering the opening remarks, entitled "Shared tasks: constitutional justice and the inter-American system of human rights", San José, Costa Rica, November 2011.

- Guest speaker at the seminar on the operation of the inter-American system organized by the American Association of Jurists and held in San José, Costa Rica, on 26 September 2011. The presentation was published in the *Revista de la AAJ*, December 2011, pp. 136-153.

- Invited by the Free School of Law University to give a presentation on the impact of the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights on reparations. The event was held at the Free School of Law University in San José, Costa Rica, on 3 February 2012.

- Invited by FraudNet to give a presentation on the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights on reparations. The event was held at the Hotel Real Intercontinental, San José, Costa Rica, on 16 March 2012.
- As Vice-President of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the forty-second regular session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Cochabamba, Bolivia, from 3 to 5 June 2012.
- Invited to give a presentation on the standards for the protection of human rights in the Inter-American Court of Human Rights in regard to prisons at the fourth seminar on prison law and human rights. The event was held in Cartagena de Indias, Colombia, from 3 to 8 July 2012.
- Keynote speaker at the official inauguration of the Colombian Institute for Human Rights. The event was held in Cartagena de Indias, Colombia, from 3 to 8 July 2012.
- Panellist at the first forum of the Pontifical Xavierian University entitled "Strengthening the inter-American human rights system". The event was held in Bogotá, Colombia, on 22 August 2012.
- Invited to give a presentation on the impact of reparations and contributions on the enforceability of economic, social and cultural rights at the thirtieth interdisciplinary course on human rights. The event was held in San José, Costa Rica, from 3 to 14 September 2012.
- Guest speaker at the regional forum on strengthening the inter-American human rights system (the San José forum). Title of presentation: "Strengthening the inter-American human rights system: the case of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights". The event was held in San José, Costa Rica, on 11 September 2012.
- Guest speaker at the Public Defence Service of Costa Rica, in San José, on 27 February 2013. Topic: freedom, interim measures and prisons, from the perspective of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.
- During the forty-seventh special session, held from 18 to 22 March 2013, participated as a speaker at the seminar entitled "The inter-American human rights system: trends and complementarities", held in Medellín, Colombia. Topic: freedom and prisons, from the perspective of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.
- Guest speaker at the Costa Rican Bar Association in San José, on 18 April 2013. Topic: freedom and prisons, from the perspective of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.
- Guest speaker at the second Brazilian interdisciplinary course on human rights. Title of presentation: "Inter-American human rights system in Brazil". The event was held in Fortaleza, Brazil, from 6 to 17 May 2013.
- As Vice-President of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the forty-third regular session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Antigua, Guatemala, from 4 to 6 June 2013.

- During the forty-fourth annual study session of the International Institute of Human Rights, participated in the inaugural presentation on religions and international human rights law, held in Strasbourg, France, from 8 to 26 July 2013. Topic: the inter-American human rights system.

- Guest speaker at the training course in the inter-American human rights system covering the Inter-American Court of Human Rights; jurisdiction and functions; interim measures; advisory opinions; proceedings and procedure. The event was held in Mexico City, Mexico, from 30 September to 11 October 2013.

- During the forty-eighth special session of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, held from 7 to 11 October 2013, in Mexico City, Mexico, participated as a speaker at the international seminar on case law dialogue and the impact of the judgments of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights — Panel II. "Reparations for human rights violations: a comparative look". Topic: the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights in regard to reparations. Also a panellist invited by the Supreme Court of Justice in Puebla, Mexico, on 12 October 2013.

- Invited by the Ecuador chapter of the Ibero-American Administrative Law Association to give the opening address at the fifth Ibero-American Congress on Administrative Law. The event was held in Guayaquil, Ecuador, on 22 October 2013.

- Participated as a moderator in the international seminar entitled "The impact of the decisions of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights". Panel 1: "Interaction between national and international law–case law dialogue". The event was held during the forty-ninth special session of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, in the Superior Electoral Court, Brasilia, on 14 November 2013.

- Guest speaker at the Latin American Bar Association Human Rights Institute in Washington, D.C., on 3 December 2013. Topic: the Inter-American Court of Human Rights: jurisdiction and functions.

- Guest speaker at the thirty-first interdisciplinary course on human rights, addressing the case law of the inter-American system in regard to political rights. The event was held in San José, Costa Rica, on 11 December 2013.

- Guest speaker at the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights symposium entitled "The path towards the right to peace as a human right". The event was held in San José, Costa Rica, on 11 February 2014.

- Invited by the Supreme Court of Justice, the Ibero-American Network of Judicial Schools and the Edgar Cervantes Villalta Judicial Training College speak at the Ibero-American videoconference session on treaty review, held in San José, Costa Rica, on 28 February 2014. Topic: the inter-American human rights system and treaty review.

- Guest speaker at the University for Peace the workshop on universal jurisdiction, held in San José, Costa Rica, from 21 to 25 April 2014. Topic: the responsibility to investigate and prevent grave violations of human rights in the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

- During the fifty-first special session of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, held from 1 to 4 September 2014, spoke at the seminar entitled "Inter-American justice and case law dialogue", held in Asunción, Paraguay. Topic: the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

- Invited by the Costa Rican Bar Association, the Human Rights Council, the Costa Rican Association of International Law and the UNESCO Chair on Human Rights to speak at the round table held on 30 October 2014, in Eduardo Ortiz Auditorium at the University of La Salle in San José, Costa Rica. Topic: the impact of reparations of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights and their contributions to the enforceability of economic, social and cultural rights.

- Invited by UNESCO to serve as moderator at the third United Nations Inter-Agency Meeting to discuss the implementation of the Plan of Action on the Safety of Journalists and the Issue of Impunity from 2013 to 2014, held from 1 to 4 November 2014, in Strasbourg, France.

- Guest speaker at a conference organized by the University for Peace International Course, held at the Bar Association on 26 November 2014, in San José, Costa Rica. Topic: the responsibility to award reparations and its magnitude.

- Special guest invited by the Global Embassy of Activists for Peace to give the opening address at the solemn events of the International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust, held on 12 February 2015, at the headquarters of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

- As a judge of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, attended the forty-ninth special session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, held in Washington, D.C., United States, on 18 March 2015, to elect Mr. Luis Almagro as Secretary General.

- Guest speaker at the Latin American Bar Association Human Rights Institute in Washington, D.C., United States, on 18 March 2015. Topic: the protection of minorities in the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

- Speaker and panellist at the third international law congress of the Captain General Gerardo Barrios University entitled "National systems for the protection of human rights", held in El Salvador, on 5 June 2015. Topic: the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights with regard to economic, social and cultural rights.

- Guest speaker at the forty-sixth annual study session of the International Institute of Human Rights entitled "Children and international human rights law", held in Strasbourg, France, from 6 to 24 July 2015. Topic: the inter-American human rights system.

- Guest speaker at the Federal Judiciary's inter-American seminar on human rights, held in Fortaleza, Brazil, on 6 August 2015. Topic: the protection of minorities in the case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

- Guest speaker at the fourth Brazilian interdisciplinary course on human rights entitled "Respecting human dignity", held in Fortaleza, Brazil, from 3 to 14 August 2015. Topic: The Court and the inter-American human rights system and a review of Brazilian case law.

– Guest speaker at the eighteenth meeting of ordinary jurisdiction entitled "Transitional justice, peace and post-conflict", held in Cartagena de Indias, Colombia, on 13 and 14 August 2015. Topic: the inter-American human rights system: the need for and types of punishment applicable in transitional justice processes.

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In his work in the field of International Law, Dr. Gentian Zyberi has combined academic work by teaching at several universities in different countries and publishing extensively, and the practice of international law by practicing before important international courts and tribunals.

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Curriculum Vitae
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PERSONAL INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

2008	*PhD degree*: 3 April 2008
	Faculty of Law/Netherlands Institute of Human Rights, University of Utrecht, The Netherlands (PhD dissertation title: 'The Humanitarian Face of the International Court of Justice: Its Contribution to Interpreting and Developing International Human Rights and Humanitarian Law Rules and Principles').
2002	*Master's degree*: 22 August 2002 (LL.M in International Law, *honourable mention*)
	Faculty of Law/Department of International and European Law, University of Utrecht, The Netherlands.
2000	*Bachelor degree* in law (LL.B, *jurist*, *cum laude*): 6 July 2000
	Faculty of Law/University of Tirana, Albania

CURRENT AND PREVIOUS POSITIONS

Academic positions

From 2012	*Associate Professor*
	Faculty of Law/Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, University of Oslo/Norway.

2012	*Assistant Professor* Faculty of Law/Amsterdam Centre for International Law, University of Amsterdam/The Netherlands.
2011-2012	*Assistant Professor* • Faculty of Law/Luarasi University/Tirana, Albania. • University of New York in Tirana/Tirana, Albania.
2010	*Visiting scholar* Faculty of Law/Centre for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Peking University/Beijing, China.
2008-2011	*Assistant Professor* Faculty of Law/Netherlands Institute for Human Rights, University of Utrecht/the Netherlands.
2003-2007	*PhD Candidate*, Faculty of Law/Netherlands Institute for Human Rights, University of Utrecht/the Netherlands.

Practice-related positions

From 2016	*Member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration*
2008-2012	*Legal Counsel* (*pro bono*), International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, The Hague, The Netherlands.
2004-2012	*Legal Assistant and Interpreter*, International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, The Hague, The Netherlands.
2009	*Legal advisor and coordinator* of the Albanian legal team in the *Kosovo Declaration of Independence* case before the International Court of Justice (ICJ). *Special Advisor* to the Albanian Minister of Foreign Affairs, Tirana, Albania.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2008	Second Prize of the prestigious *2008 Max van der Stoel Human Rights Award*, awarded by Tilburg University and the Netherlands School of Human Rights Research for my PhD dissertation. *Explanation*: nominations for best doctoral dissertation in the field of human rights, broadly construed, can be submitted by Dutch and Belgian universities (affiliated with the Netherlands School of Human Rights Research) and are assessed by a jury.

2008	Honourable mention for the *2008 G.J. Wiarda Prize*, awarded by Utrecht University for my 2007 article on the contribution of the ICJ to the development and interpretation of international human rights and humanitarian law rules and principles.

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

2004-ongoing	Over the last 12 years I have taught courses in different fields of international law at universities in the Netherlands, US, China, Albania, and Norway. Some relevant courses I am currently involved in teaching at the Faculty of Law, University of Oslo, include:
JUS5540:	Public International Law;
JUR1730/JUS5730:	International Humanitarian Law (The Law of Armed Conflict);
JUS5912:	Legal Writing and Oral Advocacy in International Law;
JUS5570:	International Criminal Law;
HUMR5502:	Ethnic Challenges to the Nation State;
HUMR5191:	Human Rights Methodology: Research, Analysis and Thesis;
HUMR5132:	Human Rights in Context.

INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

2015-ongoing	Head of education, Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, University of Oslo, Norway
2014-ongoing	Chairman of the Albanian Association of International Law (Albanian Branch of the International Law Association), Albania
2014-ongoing	Member of the Executive Council of the International Law Association, United Kingdom
2008-2010	Assistant to the Director of the Netherlands School of Human Rights Research, Utrecht, The Netherlands

COMMISSIONS OF TRUST

2008-ongoing	Have served as external academic reviewer for Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, and Intersentia. I have also reviewed scholarly work for the SOAS Research Student Society's Journal, the Human Rights and International Legal Discourse Journal, Utrecht Law Review, the World Trade Review, International Journal of Law in Context, Leiden Journal of International Law, Journal of Politics and Law, Oslo Law Review, and Global Governance; A Review of Multilateralism and International Organizations.
2012-ongoing	Member of the Board of Advisors to the Editorial Board of the Yearbook of International Humanitarian Law, (TMC Asser Institute, The Hague).
2005-2010	Member of the Editorial Board of the Utrecht Law Review.

OTHER NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENTS

- Member of the International Law Association (ILA) International Committee on International Human Rights Law;
- Member of the ILA Study Group on 'The Conduct of Hostilities under International Humanitarian Law — Challenges of 21st Century Warfare';
- Member of the European Society of International Law (member of several interest groups);
- Member of the Norwegian Association of International Law (Norwegian branch of the ILA);
- Member of the Norsk militærjuridisk forening (Norwegian National Group of the International Society for Military Law and the Law of War).

RESEARCH INTERESTS/RESEARCH PROFILE

My research has mainly focused on the role and contribution of international courts and tribunals to interpreting and developing rules and principles of international human rights, international humanitarian law, and international criminal law. Currently, I'm focusing on the place of and protection of community interests under international law with regard to global human security, shared natural resources, and world cultural heritage. Other related areas of interest include the institutional operationalization of the doctrine of the responsibility to protect; and transitional justice issues with a focus on investigation, prosecution and reparations for mass atrocity crimes in the Balkans.

LIST OF MAIN PUBLICATIONS

The following selection of publications highlights my scholarly work and expertise on international law.

Books

1. G. Zyberi, The Humanitarian Face of the International Court of Justice: Its Contribution to Interpreting and Developing International Human Rights and Humanitarian Law Rules and Principles, School of Human Rights Research Series vol. 26, (Antwerpen-Oxford-Portland: *Intersentia*, 2008).

2. G. Zyberi (ed.), An Institutional Perspective on the Responsibility to Protect (*Cambridge University Press*, 2013).

3. G. Zyberi and C. Rohan (eds.), Defence Perspectives on International Criminal Justice (*Cambridge University Press, forthcoming*, 2016).

Articles

4. G. Zyberi, United Nations-related criminal courts and tribunals: fleeting mirages of transitional justice or a piecemeal approach to cosmopolitan justice?, Symposium: Cosmopolitan Law and the Courts, *Transnational Legal Theory* (2016), pp. 1-19.

5. G. Zyberi and Jernej Letnar Černič, Transitional Justice Processes and Reconciliation in the Former Yugoslavia: Challenges and Prospects, 33(2) *Nordic Journal of Human Rights* (2015), pp. 132-157.

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Book chapters

9. G. Zyberi, 'The Practice of Holding States and Individuals Responsible for Mass Atrocity Crimes' in André Nollkaemper and Ilias Plakokefalos (eds.), *The Practice of Shared Responsibility in International Law*, vol. 3 (*Cambridge University Press, forthcoming*, 2016).

10. G. Zyberi, 'Ensuring the Protection of the Environment from Serious Damage: Towards a Model of Shared Responsibility between International Corporations and the States Concerned?', in Bård Anders Andreassen and Vo Khanh Vinh (eds.), Duties Across Borders: Advancing Human Rights in Transnational Business (*Intersentia*, 2016), pp. 67-90.

11. G. Zyberi, 'The Role and Contribution of International Courts in Furthering Peace as an Essential Community Interest', in Cecilia M. Bailliet and Kjetil Mujezinović Larsen (eds.), *Promoting Peace Through International Law* (*Oxford University Press*, 2015), pp. 344-367.

12. G. Zyberi, 'The Jurisprudence of the International Court of Justice and International Criminal Courts and Tribunals', in Erika de Wet and Jann Kleffner (eds.), *Convergence and Conflicts of Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law in Military Operations* (*Pretoria University Law Press*, 2014), pp. 395-416.

13. G. Zyberi, 'The Role of Non-State Actors in Implementing the Responsibility to Protect', in Cedric Ryngaert and Math Noortmann (eds.) *Human Security and International Law: The Challenge of Non-State Actors* (*Intersentia*, 2014), pp. 53-74.

14. G. Zyberi, 'The International Court of Justice', in G. Zyberi (ed.), *An Institutional Approach to the Responsibility to Protect'* (*Cambridge University Press*, July 2013), pp. 365-385.

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16. G. Zyberi, 'The International Court of Justice and the Rights of Peoples and Minorities' in Christian Tams and James Sloan (eds.), *The Development of International Law by the International Court of Justice* (*Oxford University Press*, 2013), pp. 327-352.

17. G. Zyberi, 'The Role of International Courts in Post-Conflict Societies', in Ineke Boerefijn et al. (eds.) *Human Rights and Conflict: Essays in Honour of Bas de Gaay Fortman* (*Intersentia*, 2012), pp. 367-385.

18. G. Zyberi, 'Responsibility to Protect Through the International Court of Justice', in Julia Hoffmann and André Nollkaemper (eds.), *Responsibility to Protect: From Principle to Practice* (*Amsterdam University Press*, 2012), pp. 305-317.

19. G. Zyberi, 'The Role and Status of Non-State Actors from the Perspective of the International Law Commission', in Jean D'Aspremont (ed.), *Participants in the International Legal System: Theoretical Perspectives* (*Routledge*, 2011), pp. 165-179.

20. G. Zyberi, 'Human Rights in the International Court of Justice', in Mashood Baderin and Manisuli Ssenyonjo (eds.), *International Human Rights Law: 60 Years after the UDHR* (*Ashgate*, 2010), pp. 289-304.

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21. G. Zyberi, 'Navigating the Occasional Tensions Arising between Effective and Efficient Legal Counseling and Respecting the Formal Rules of the Tribunals: What Compass to Use?', (European Society of International Law 2013 5th Research Forum: International Law as a Profession Conference Paper No. 3/2013, 4 December 2013).

22. G. Zyberi, 'The Applicability of General Principles and Instruments of International Law to Peace Missions of the European Union', in Aurel Sari and Ramses A. Wessel (eds.), *Human Rights in EU Crisis Management Operations: A Duty to Respect and to Protect?*, (CLEER Working Paper Series 2012/6), pp. 21-37.

23. G. Zyberi, 'The Transitional Justice Process in the Former Yugoslavia: Long Transition, Yet Not Enough Justice' (Oxford Transitional Justice Research Working Paper Series, March 2012).

LIST OF POPULAR SCIENCE AND USER ORIENTED DISSEMINATION

1. Co-editor and contributor to the well-read *International Law Observer* blog covering different international and European legal areas and issues (*internationallawobserver.eu*).

2. Contributor to the Oxford Reports on International Criminal Law (Oxford Reports on International Law).

3. Have contributed entries to the blog of the European Journal of International Law, EJIL: Talk.

Letter of Motivation

I got interested in international law hearing about the *Corfu Channel* and the *Monetary Gold* cases from my professor of international law at the Faculty of Law of Tirana University. As a law student it was fascinating to learn how cases relating to a small country like Albania had contributed significantly to the development of important concepts of international law.

I got an opportunity to deepen my knowledge of international law during my Master's degree and my PhD degree on International Law at the University of Utrecht in the Netherlands. My PhD research, focused on the contribution of the International Court of Justice (ICJ) to interpreting and developing rules and principles of international law of human rights and humanitarian law. The book, published in 2008, has been very well-received by scholars, practitioners, and Judges of the ICJ.

Over the years I have written about a variety of issues including the role of international courts and tribunals in developing international law, the law of international responsibility, the responsibility to protect, self-determination, the rights of peoples and minorities, provisional measures in armed conflict situations, environmental protection, and the work of the International Law Commission. At the same time, I have developed and taught courses on public international law, human rights, international humanitarian law, international criminal law, and legal writing and advocacy in international law, at different universities in the Netherlands, the US, Norway, China, and Albania. For eight years I have worked for the Defence in two cases tried before the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia. In 2009 I coordinated the work of the Albanian legal team in the *Kosovo* case before the International Court of Justice. This experience has allowed me to engage closely with international law, while working with many distinguished international law practitioners.

As a subsidiary body of the General Assembly of the United Nations, the International Law Commission (Commission) has been entrusted with the important task of promotion, codification and the progressive development of international law. Over the decades through the dedicated work of its members and the support by the United Nations the Commission has produced an impressive amount of work, addressing important issues for international law, including the international law on responsibility of states, international organizations, and the first draft of the Statute of the International Criminal Court, the law of the sea, the law on diplomatic and consular relations, the law of treaties, the law of immunities, and so on.

Among others, the current agenda of the Commission includes important issues as *jus cogens*, the identification of customary international law, crimes against humanity, the protection of the environment, and the protection of persons in times of disasters. This is an indication of the important role that this body continues to play when it comes to the codification and progressive development of international law.

As a member of the Commission I will work diligently and conscientiously towards fulfilling the noble mission of the Commission.

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Aide-Mémoire

The Republic of Albania has put forward the candidacy of Dr. Gentian Zyberi for membership in the International Law Commission, as part of the 4 positions reserved for nationals of Eastern European States. This aide-mémoire is accompanied inter alia by the résumé of Dr. Zyberi and his letter of motivation, and a letter of support from Dr. Inga Bostad, Director of the Norwegian Center for Human Rights, University of Oslo. In his work in the field of international law, Dr. Zyberi has combined high-quality academic work at top-universities in different countries and the practice of international law before important international courts and tribunals.

Over the last 12 years Professor Zyberi has taught courses in different fields of international law, including public international law, international humanitarian law, international criminal law, and international human rights law, at several top universities in the Netherlands, Albania, the US, China, and Norway. He has published extensively on role of international courts and tribunals, especially of the International Court of Justice, in developing international law; the law of international responsibility; the responsibility to protect doctrine; self-determination and the rights of peoples and minorities; provisional measures in armed conflict situations; environmental protection, and the work of the International Law Commission. More recently, Dr. Zyberi has contributed to the work of several study groups and committees of the International Law Association in clarifying different aspects of international law, especially human rights and humanitarian law. Alongside teaching and publishing he has also organized and presented in several high-profile international conferences dealing with different aspects of international law.

Currently Dr. Zyberi is a member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration, an intergovernmental organization providing a variety of dispute resolution services to the international community. He has practiced international law before the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia from 2004-2012. In 2009 he worked as legal advisor and coordinator of the Albanian legal team in the Kosovo advisory proceedings before the International Court of Justice. Over the last ten years he has provided legal advice to States, as well as international non-governmental organizations.

His academic research has mainly focused on the role and contribution of international courts and tribunals to interpreting and developing rules and principles of international human rights, international humanitarian law, and international criminal law. Currently, he is focusing on the place of and protection of community interests under international law with regard to global human security, shared natural resources, and world cultural heritage. Other related areas of interest include the institutional operationalization of the doctrine of the responsibility to protect and transitional justice issues with a focus on investigation, prosecution and reparations for mass atrocity crimes. Through his extensive knowledge and dedication to developing and disseminating international law, Dr. Zyberi would prove a valuable asset to the work of the International Law Commission.

Given that Albania has never been represented in an important body as the International Law Commission, the Government of Albania would highly appreciate your support for membership of Dr. Zyberi in the International Law Commission.

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Support letter for Dr. Gentian Zyberi as Albania's candidate for membership in the International Law Commission

My name is Inga Bostad and I am the Director of the Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, University of Oslo, Norway.

I am writing this letter to support our colleague, Dr. Gentian Zyberi, as Albania's candidate for membership in the International Law Commission for the period 2017-2021. Currently, Gentian is the director of education at our Centre and for the last two years he has been heading our Master Programme in the Theory and Practice of Human Rights.

In his career Gentian has managed to combine very well the theory and practice of international law, respectively by working at top universities in the Netherlands, China, US, and Norway and by practising before important international courts. Gentian has published extensively in the field of public international law, including in the areas of international human rights, international humanitarian law, and international criminal law. His book on the contribution of the International Court of Justice to the interpretation and development of human rights and humanitarian law published in 2008 has won the Second Prize of the prestigious Max van der Stoel Human Rights Award, awarded by Tilburg University and the Netherlands School of Human Rights Research. Over the last years Dr. Zyberi has been a member of different study groups at the International Law Association, contributing to the discussions and the final reports prepared by these groups composed of international law experts from different parts of the world.

Gentian has worked for eight years for the Defence in two important cases at the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY) in the period 2004-2012. In 2009 the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Albania entrusted him with coordinating the work of the Albanian legal team in the advisory proceedings in the *Kosovo* case before the International Court of Justice. This experience has given him a close insight into the practice of international law before important international courts and enabled him to work with leading international law practitioners.

On a personal level, having worked closely with him over the last years, I have always found Gentian to be a friendly and supportive colleague. His dedication and professional integrity are second to none. Dr. Zyberi is results-driven, has a brilliant analytical mind, and performs strongly and reliably in a demanding international environment.

For these reasons, I am happy to express our support for him being proposed by Albania as a candidate for membership in the International Law Commission, or other similar positions in the field of international law.